



## Nebraska Client Assistance Program

### Hotline for Disability Services

#### **Contact the Nebraska Hotline for Disabilities**

The Hotline for Disability Services

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Lincoln, NE 68509

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### **SPECIAL EDUCATION-NEBRASKA DEPT. OF EDUCATION**

#### **Description:**

ASSISTS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING EFFECTIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES FROM THE DATE OF DIAGNOSIS UNTIL THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR WHEN THE CHILD REACHES AGE TWENTY-ONE. MAJOR FUNCTIONS INCLUDE: PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PARENTS; ASSIST PROGRAMS IN MEETING STATE AND FEDERAL SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULATIONS; AND ASSURE THAT RIGHTS OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR PARENTS ARE PROTECTED.

#### **Eligibility:**

AGES 0-21 IDENTIFIED AS HAVING A DISABILITY VERIFIED AS PER NDE RULE 51. DISABILITIES INCLUDE: AUTISM, BEHAVIOR DISORDERS, DEAF-BLINDNESS, HEARING IMPAIRMENTS, MENTAL HANDICAPS, MULTIPLE DISABILITIES, ORTHOPEDIC IMPAIRMENTS, OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENTS, SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES, SPEECH-LANGUAGE IMPAIRMENTS, TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY AND/OR VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

#### **List of Provided Services:**

**Administrative:** Administrative

**Education:** Special Education

#### **Contact Information:**

##### **Address:**

PO BOX 94987

Lincoln NE 68509

**Hours of Operation:** 8:00 TO 5:00 MONDAY-FRIDAY

**Website:** [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov)

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#### **General Information**

**Agency ID:** 390

**Counties Served:**

Adams, Antelope, Arthur, Banner, Blaine, Boone, Box Butte, Boyd, Brown, Buffalo, Burt, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Chase,

Cherry, Cheyenne, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawes, Dawson, Deuel, Dixon, Dodge, Douglas, Dundy, Fillmore, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Garden, Garfield, Gosper, Grant, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Holt, Hooker, Howard, Jefferson, Johnson, Kearney, Keith, Keya Paha, Kimball, Knox, Lancaster, Lincoln, Logan, Loup, Madison, McPherson, Merrick, Morrill, Nance, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Pawnee, Perkins, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Rock, Saline, Sarpy, Saunders, Scotts Bluff, Seward, Sheridan, Sherman, Sioux, Stanton, Thayer, Thomas, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler, York

**Ages Served:** Ages 0 to 21

**Disabilities Served:**

BIMI (Behavioral Impairment/Mental Illness), Brain Injury/Head Injury, DD (Developmental Disability including MR), Hearing Impairment, LD (Learning Disability), OHI - Other Health Impairment, Orthopedic, Speech Disability, Visual Disability

**Wheelchair Accessible:** Yes

**Fees:** NO CHARGE

**Sliding Fee Schedule:** Yes

**Interpreters on Staff:**

**How to Appeal a Decision:**

MARGARET WORTH LEGAL COUNSEL BETH WIERDA CHILDFIND-CATHY HAYES